

REMARKS

Claims 1-5 are pending and under consideration. Claims 6-11 are withdrawn from consideration. Claims 3-5 are objected to.

The rejection under 35 U.S.C. §102 by Shimizu is respectfully traversed. Independent claim 1 recites a moving part comprising a first surface selectively in contact with the frame based upon the magnetic field of the coil unit, a second surface not in contact with the frame, and an anti-corrosion material coating the first and second surfaces, a thickness of the anti-corrosion material being thinner on the first surface than on the second surface. The Examiner relies upon column 2, lines 44-51 of the reference. This portion discloses coatings on an "attracting surface" of the yoke or armature. However, this "attracting surface" is a single surface, as opposed to the claimed anti-corrosion material, which is on the first and second surfaces. Also, since only a single surface is discussed, the relative thicknesses as claimed cannot be disclosed. Since the "attracting surface" has the coating, it appears that the Examiner relies upon this surface as corresponding to the claimed second surface. However, there is no disclosure that the "attracting surface" does not contact the frame, as claimed.

Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejection is requested.

There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.

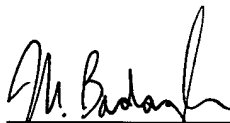
Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

STAAS & HALSEY LLP

Date: 2-16-06

By: 
Michael J. Badagliacca
Registration No. 39,099

1201 New York Avenue, NW, Suite 700
Washington, D.C. 20005
Telephone: (202) 434-1500
Facsimile: (202) 434-1501